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Toombs et al.

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AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

The following is responsive to the Official Action mailed on April 17, 2006, and for which a three-month extension is hereby requested. Applicant responds to the Official Action as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

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